



May 24, 2018

Thank you for attending the Public Information Open House and Detour Meeting for the proposed State Route 122 @ Brice Pond Tributary & @ Okapilco creek, PI Number 00013802. Our goal is two-fold: 1) to provide you with information on the proposed project and 2) to provide an opportunity for you to give us your comments on the proposed project, which includes a traffic detour route that would be used during construction. In this handout package, you will find a description of the project, a location map, a map of the proposed detour, and a comment card.

As you enter the room, please take a look at the project display and the detour map. Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) representatives, wearing nametags, are available to discuss the project and answer your questions. There will be no formal presentation.

We hope you will take the opportunity to tell the GDOT what you think. Listed below are several ways to comment on the project. Your comments are important to us and, should you provide comments by one of the methods noted below, we will respond to you in writing usually within 30 days of the close of the comment period. All comments will become part of the project's official record.

While you are attending the open house, you can **provide your comments today** by filling out the comment card provided with this handout and dropping it in the comment box, or you may choose to provide your verbal comments to the court reporter who will transcribe your comments.

You can also **provide your comments by Thursday, June 07, 2018** by using any of the following methods:

- Online at www.dot.ga.gov/PS/Public/PublicOutreach.
 - From the menu, select the county in which the proposed project is located and click *Go*;
 - Then select *State Route 122 @ Brice Pond and Okapilco Creek*;
 - Lastly, click *Comment* and follow the instructions to leave your comments.
- Mail in your comment card to Mr. Eric Duff, Georgia Department of Transportation, 600 West Peachtree Street NW, 16th Floor, Atlanta, Georgia 30308.

The project displays and plans will be available for review for ten days after this open house at the website noted above. Hardcopies will also be available at the GDOT District 4, Area 4 Office located at 120 Veterans Pkwy N Moultrie, GA 31788. Following the ten-day public comment period, a copy of all comments received will be available by request at the Atlanta address listed above.

Again, thank you for attending this open house. If you should have any questions or need additional information, feel free to contact the project manager, Scott Mann, at 770-702-7033 or the environmental analyst, Jenna Osburn, at 404-347-0549 of the Office of Environmental Services.

Sincerely,

Eric Duff
State Environmental Administrator
Georgia Department of Transportation

Why We Are Here:

The Georgia Department of Transportation is proposing to replace two bridges on SR 122 in Brooks County. Both bridges were designed using an H-15 vehicle, which is below current design standards.

The bridge on SR 122 over Brice Pond Tributary, Structure ID 027-0033-0, was built in 1940. The bridge consists of twenty-one (21) spans of continuous steel beams on concrete caps with steel piles. The overall condition of this bridge would be classified as fair. The deck is in fair condition with moderate concrete cracking and spalls throughout the deck. The superstructure is in fair condition. The substructure is in fair condition with moderate cracking in all caps. This bridge is classified as having an unknown foundation and therefore could be at risk for scour.

The bridge on SR 122 over Okapilco Creek, Structure ID No. 027-0034-0, was built in 1941. The bridge consists of forty (40) spans of continuous steel beams on concrete caps with steel piles. A structural analysis of this bridge shows a lower than expected capacity in the substructure. The overall condition of this bridge would be classified as fair. The deck is in fair condition with moderate to heavy concrete cracking and spalls with exposed rebar. The superstructure is in fair condition with some minor corrosion noted. The substructure is in satisfactory condition with moderate to heavy cracking on the pier caps and spalls with exposed rebar. This bridge is classified as having an unknown foundation and therefore could be at risk for scour.

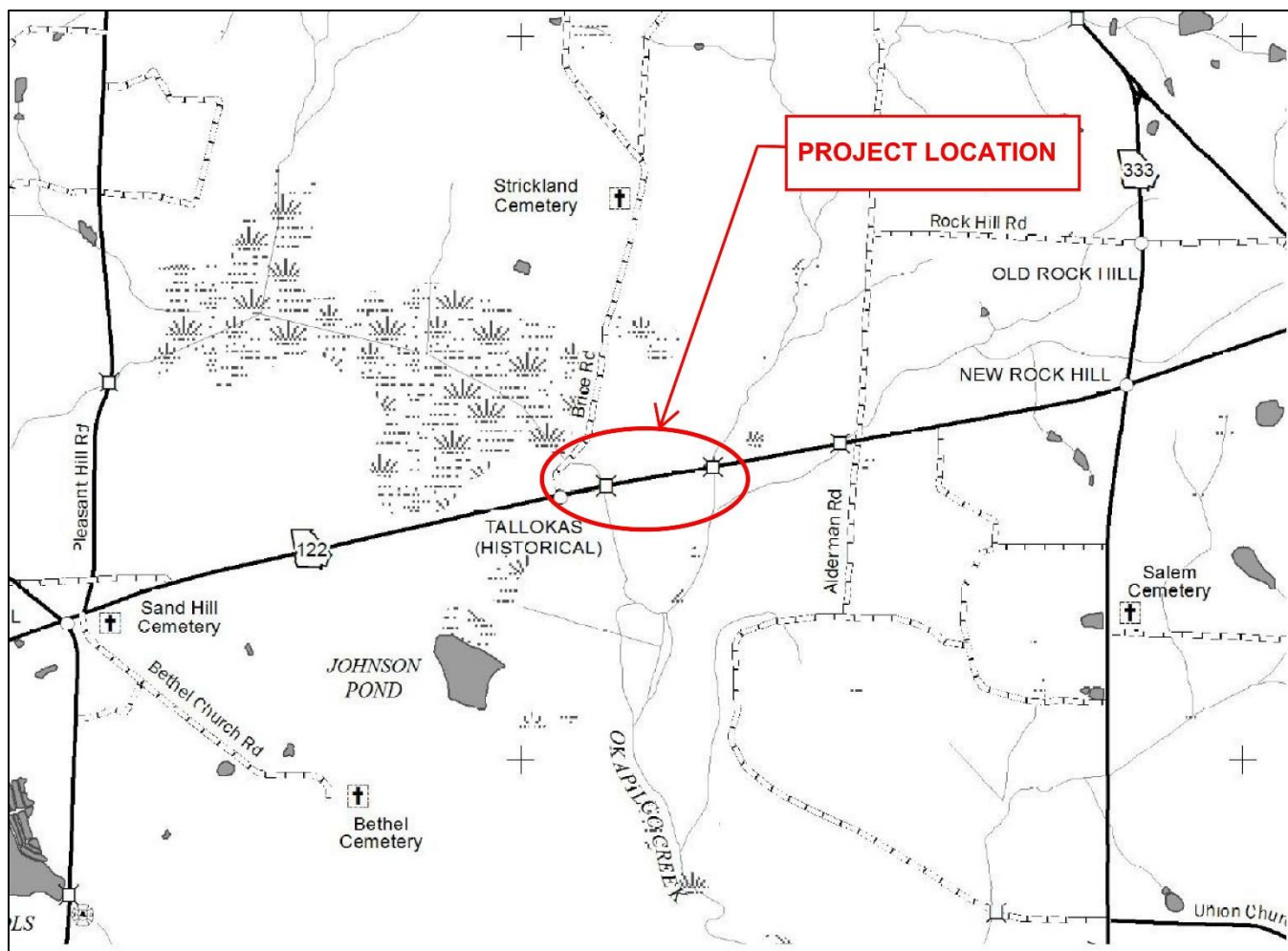
Due to the age of both structures, the structural integrity of these bridges pertaining to their design vehicle, the deterioration of the decks on both bridges, and the unknown foundation of the substructures, replacement of these bridges is recommended.

Project Description:

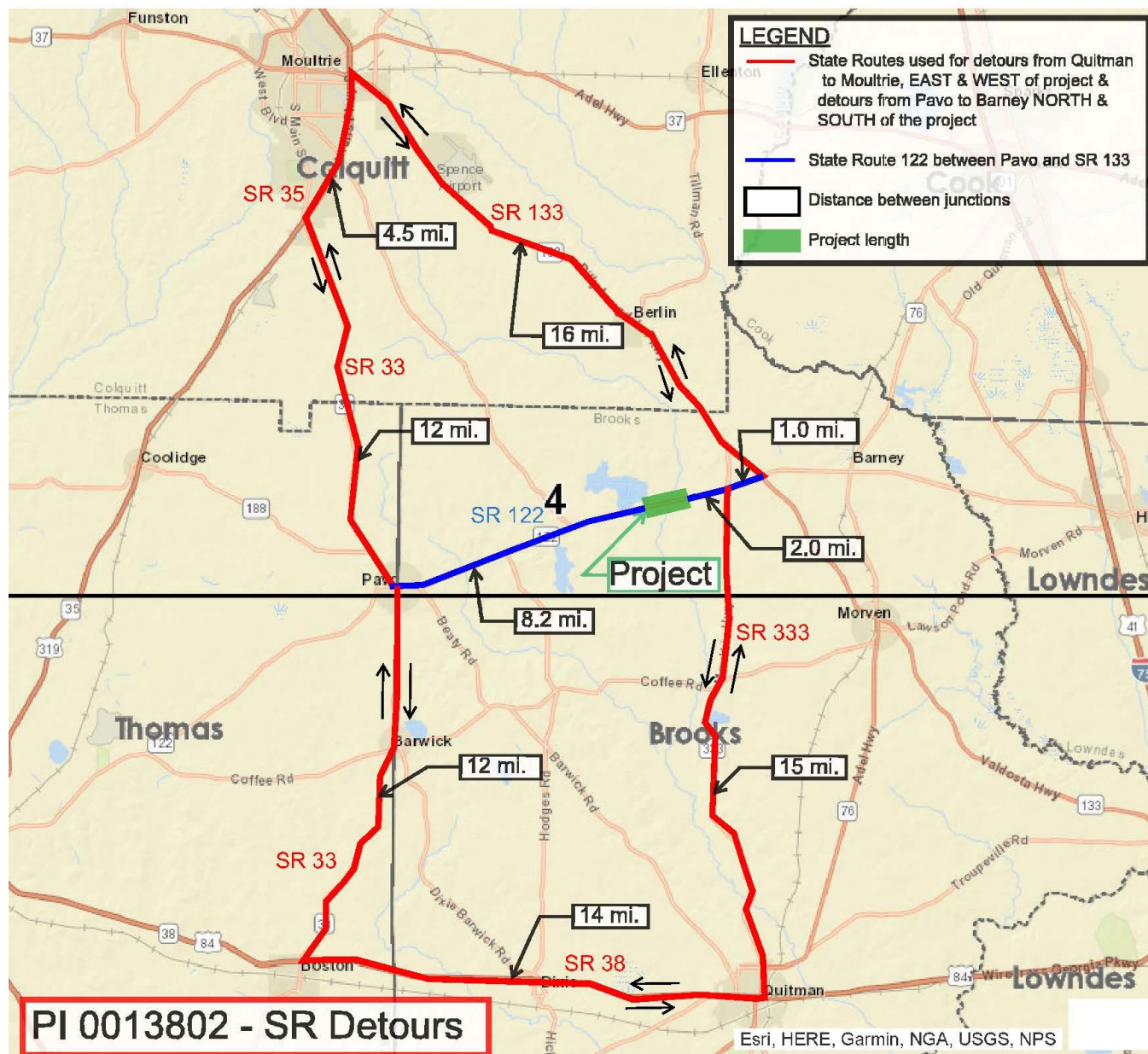
The project corridor is located approximately 7 miles east of Pavo, GA on SR 122 over Brice Pond Tributary and over Okapilco Creek with a posted speed limit of 55 miles per hour (mph). The existing roadway is comprised of two 12-foot lanes with 6-foot rural shoulders (1.5-foot paved, 4.5-foot grassed). The existing 420-foot by 27.9-foot Brice bridge has two 11-foot lanes with 1-foot shoulders. The existing 800-foot by 25.7-foot Okapilco bridge has two 11-foot lanes with 1-foot shoulders.

The new bridges would include two 12-foot lanes and 6-foot shoulders on both sides. The roadway sections of the project would include two 12-foot lanes with 6-foot rural shoulders (2-foot paved, 4-foot grassed). The total length of the project is approximately 4,200 feet. SR 122 will be closed and the existing bridges will be replaced with new bridges at the same locations while traffic uses a designated off-site detour.

Project Location Map and Detour Map:



**Project Location Map
PI 0013802
STATE ROUTE 122 @ BRICE POND
TRIBUTARY & @ OKAPILCO CREEK**



**State Route Detour Map
PI 0013802
STATE ROUTE 122 @ BRICE POND
TRIBUTARY & @ OKAPILCO CREEK**

Comment Card

Please print responses.

Name _____

Address _____

Do you support the project and the detour as presented? (check your response)

☐ **For**

☐ **Against**

☐ **Conditional**

☐ **Uncommitted**

General Comments _____

How did you hear about this Open House? (check) ☐ **Newspaper** ☐ **Signs** ☐ **GDOT Website** ☐ **Radio**

☐ **Word of Mouth** ☐ **Social Media** ☐ **Other** _____

Was the location of the Open House convenient for you to attend?

☐ **Yes**

☐ **No**

If no, please suggest a general location that is more convenient to your community.

Was the time of the meeting convenient for you to attend?

☐ **Yes**

☐ **No**

If no, please suggest a time frame that is more convenient for you.

Were your questions answered by GDOT personnel?

☐ **Yes**

☐ **No**

Do you understand the project after attending this meeting?

☐ **Yes**

☐ **No**

Please share your suggestions on improving the ways GDOT conducts Open Houses:

Mail to:

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